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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Mikal E. Saltveit *et al.*

Application No.: 09/964,992

Filed: September 26, 2001

For: CHARACTERIZATION OF  
PHENYLALANINE AMMONIA-  
LYASE (PAL) GENE IN  
WOUNDED LETTUCE TISSUE

Examiner: Baum, Stuart

Technology Center/Art Unit: 1645

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 23, 2003 , please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.